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IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- 1. (Currently amended) A process for the adaptation of flavor mixtures comprising the steps of:
- a) selecting or preparing a <u>first</u> <u>base</u> matrix comprising
 a flavor mixture having desired properties,
- b) analyzing the flavor composition and flavor concentration in the headspace above the first base matrix,
- c) introducing the flavor mixture into a <u>an another</u> second matrix,
- d) analyzing the flavor composition in the headspace above the another second matrix,
 - e) comparing the results in step b) and d),
- f) changing the flavor composition in the another second matrix to correspond to those of the base first matrix and
- g) preparing the novel flavor mixture in accordance with the analytical result and subjecting said flavor mixture to sensory testing,

wherein said <u>base</u> <u>first</u> matrix and the <u>another</u> <u>second</u> matrix are independently foods, cosmetics, or requisites.

2. (Currently amended) A process for the adaptation of flavor mixtures comprising the steps of:

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- a) selecting or preparing a <u>base</u> first matrix comprising a flavor mixture having desired properties,
- b) analyzing the flavor composition and flavor concentration in the headspace above the base first matrix,
- c) introducing the flavor mixture into a an another second matrix,
- d) analyzing the flavor composition in the headspace above the another second matrix,
- e) comparing the results in step b) and d), wherein the comparing step comprises:
- calculating a correction factor from the peak area percentages of the analyses of the <u>base</u> first matrix and the another second matrix,
- 2) calculating the number of moles of the individual flavor compounds in the flavor mixture,
- f) on the basis of the correction factors determined in step 2) adapting the flavor mixture of the another second matrix to correspond to that of the base first matrix and
- g) preparing the novel flavor mixture in accordance with the analytical result and subjecting said flavor mixture to sensory testing,

wherein said <u>base</u> <u>first</u> matrix and the <u>another</u> <u>second</u> matrix are independently foods, cosmetics, or requisites.

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- 3. (Original) A process according to Claim 1, wherein the volatile constituents of the flavor mixture in the headspace above the matrix are determined.
- 4. (Original) A process according to Claim 1, wherein the analyses are carried out by means of static headspace gas chromatography.
- 5. (Currently amended) A process for the adaptation of flavor mixtures comprising the steps of:
- a) selecting or preparing a <u>base</u> first matrix comprising a flavor mixture having desired properties,
- b) analyzing the flavor composition and flavor concentration in the headspace above the base first matrix,
- c) introducing the flavor mixture into a <u>an another</u> second matrix,
- d) analyzing the flavor composition in the headspace above the another second matrix,
 - e) comparing the results in step b) and d),
- f) changing the flavor composition in the <u>another</u> second matrix to correspond to those of the base first matrix and
- \pm g) preparing the novel flavor mixture in accordance with the analytical result and subjecting said flavor mixture to sensory testing,

wherein said <u>base</u> <u>first</u> matrix and the <u>another</u> <u>second</u> matrix are independently foods, cosmetics, or requisites;

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wherein the analyses are carried out by means of static headspace gas chromatography;

wherein the peak area values determined by gas chromatography for the flavor compounds in the headspace over the <u>base first</u> matrix and for the flavor compounds in the headspace over the <u>another second</u> matrix are used to form a quotient for calculating the correction factors.

6. (Currently amended) A process according to Claim 1, wherein the adapted novel flavor mixture is introduced into the <u>another</u> second matrix at a concentration such that the peak area total of the flavor compounds in the headspace over the matrix corresponds to that of the base <u>first</u> matrix.

7. (Cancelled)

- 8. (Currently amended) A flavor mixture produced from a process for the adaptation of flavor mixtures comprising the steps of:
- a.) selecting or preparing a <u>base first</u> matrix comprising a flavor mixture having desired properties,
- b.) analyzing the flavor composition and flavor concentration in the headspace above the base first matrix,
- c.) introducing the flavor mixture into a <u>an another</u> second matrix,

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- d.) analyzing the flavor composition in the headspace above the another second matrix, and
 - e.) comparing the results in step b) and d),
- f.) changing the flavor composition in the <u>another</u> second matrix to correspond to those of the <u>base</u> first matrix and
- g.) preparing the novel flavor mixture in accordance with the analytical result and subjecting said flavor mixture to sensory testing,

wherein said <u>base</u> <u>first</u> matrix and said <u>another</u> <u>second</u> matrix are independently foods, cosmetics, or requisites.